



Request for Expedited Procedure  
Under 37 CFR § 1.116  
Group Art Unit: 2616  
Docket No.: M0289.0002

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:  
Yoshiharu Maeno

Application No.: 10/083,401

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Art Unit: 2666

For: MINIMUM COST ROUTING BASED ON  
RELATIVE COSTS OF NODE RESOURCES

Examiner: S. Ahmed

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated April 3, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1, 3-12, 14-22, 24-32, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 15 of this paper.

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